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Attention: Mr. Ivars C. Cintins

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Dear Examiner Cintins:

Please find included herewith a response to the Office Action dated 14 May 2003 for the above-identified application.

Cordially yours

Walter I. Beavers

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the Commissioner For Patents, Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment, Attention: Examiner Ivars C. Cintins (9 pages including cover letter) to Fax No. (703) 872-9310 on this the 05th day of August 2003.

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Examiner's communication mailed 14 May 2003, applicant responds as follows: